It is a great safety radio. I can drive from Paris IL to Milwaukee, Wi. without ever having to take my eyes of hands off the road to change stations or anything because XM is the same no matter where I travel. Regular radio I would have to change stations and volume everytime I got in a different area and that would involve me taking my eyes off the road and using one hand to accomplish this making me a unsafe and distracted driver. This would be especially dangerous in the chicago IL area.